SUBJECT No. 263.

Establishment of orphanages.

Messrs. Madappa, Mysore Taluk; Venkatakrishnaiya, Madappa and N. Srikantaiya, Mysore City Municipality.

*Summary of discussion.*—There are a number of boys and girls throughout the State who have no parents or whose parents are incapable of bringing them up as good citizens. In such cases the Government should stand in *loco parentis* to them and give them such education, literary and technical, as to make them self-supporting. The way in which the Government is expected to do this is to give handsome grants to orphanages where they exist, and to establish such orphanages where they do not exist and give them the required aid. This is the only way in which the criminal population can be decreased and self-help and productive labour increased.

*Reply of Government.*—Noted.

SUBJECT No. 264.

Exemption of temple lands from land revenue.

Mr. Amble Annaiya Pandit, Mysore District Board.

*Withdrawn.*

## GENERAL MISCELLANEOUS.

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SUBJECT No. 265.

The Mysore Civil Service Examination.

Messrs. B. Narasinga Rao, Seringapatam Municipality; Venkatasamaiya, Chamrajnagar Taluk; Veene Rangaswami Iyengar and K. Krishnachar, Seringapatam Taluk; Sitaramaiya, Shimoga Municipality; A. Ramanna, Yedatore Taluk, Seshadri Iyengar, Tumkur Municipality; V. Raghavachar, Mysore Taluk; Venkatakrishnaiya, N. Srikantaiya and Madappa, Mysore City Municipality; and Sankaranarayana Rao, Nagar Sabha.

*Summary of discussion.*—(*a*) (i) The Mysore Civil Service Examination may be abolished and persons with Higher University qualifications may be drafted into the various grades of service from the lower ranks. There are several Mysoreans with high degrees.

(ii) If the examination cannot altogether be abolished, it may be kept open only to the subjects of His Highness the Maharaja, as they find it almost impossible to compete with the outsiders in this examination.

(iii) Even if this is not considered possible, only one place may be thrown open to all and the other given to the best Mysorean.

(iv) Such candidates as have not taken Kannada as their optional language at least in their Matriculation Examination may be required to pass an examination in Kannada before they are called for the *viva voce* examination though the marks obtained in the Kannada examination may be excluded from calculation in deciding the rank.

(v) The examination may be held only when there is a necessity for it and not every year.

(vi) The old rule admitting persons in service and advocates who are not over thirty years of age may be revived.

(*b*) The following two subjects may be prescribed for the Mysore Civil Service Examination:—

(1) Translation of English passages into Kannada and *vice versa*, and

(2) Reading of Kannada manuscripts. Ignorance of Kannada interferes with prompt disposal of work.

(*c*) This examination was introduced when graduates of merit were few. The necessity for throwing open the examination to outsiders does not now exist. The sons of the soil are more interested in the well-being of the State than outsiders.

When persons of merit with recognised University qualifications and experience are available, it is very desirable to recruit the public service from among them.

NOTE:—Public opinion is very much against the scheme. People would prefer the abolition of the examination to the repeal of the Press Law if a choice is offered between the two. Recruitment by competition has caused great discontent in the subordinate service. Ordinary graduates are enough for the work of ordinary administration. Even the rural population would prefer that only Mysoreans should be employed. Good men in the State should be preferred to good men from outside.

*Reply of Government.*—Noted.

SUBJECT No. 266.

Nomination of Mahomedans to the Mysore Civil Service.

Mr. Moulvi Dervish Peer, Anjuman-i-Himayath Islam, Mysore.

*Summary of discussion.*—The Mysore Civil Service Scheme has not proved beneficial to the Mahomedans in any way. When the scheme was introduced, it was thought that Mahomedans would enter the service by nomination. But since its inauguration, very few Mahomedans have been appointed to the service. This may be due to the fact that very few appointments are available for nomination and fewer still for the Mahomedans. The scheme may be so modified as to admit of a larger number of appointments being made by nomination.

*Reply of Government.*—Noted.

SUBJECT No. 267.

Mahomedan officials in the Public Service.

Mr. Moulvi Dervish Peer, Anjuman-i-Himayath Islam, Mysore.

*Summary of discussion.*—The Mahomedan officials who deserve promotions on the ground of their long service are kept back from such promotion for not having passed the required examinations. They may be exempted from passing them, taking into consideration their long service and experience.

*Reply of Government.*—Noted.

SUBJECT No. 268.

Appointment of qualified men in Government service.

Mr. Moulvi Dervish Peer, Anjuman-i-Himayath Islam, Mysore.

*Summary of discussion.*—In filling up appointments carrying a salary of Rs. 25 and above only graduates must be entertained, preference being given to graduates of backward communities, as efficiency at present in these offices is very low.

*Reply of Government.*—Noted.